

**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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MFS COMMUNICATIONS)	
COMPANY, INC.)	
)	
Petition for Preemption of Local Entry)	CCBPol 96-12
Barriers in the District of Columbia)	
Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 253(d))	

ORDER

Adopted: February 18, 1997

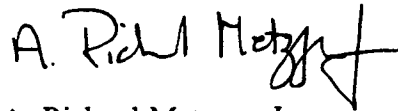
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By the Deputy Chief, Common Carrier Bureau:

1. On April 29, 1996, MFS Communications Company, Inc. (MFS) filed a petition for preemption, declaratory ruling and injunctive relief pursuant to section 253 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Commission issued a public notice concerning the MFS petition on May 2, 1996.¹ On October 11, 1996, MFS filed a motion to withdraw its petition without prejudice. The Common Carrier Bureau hereby grants MFS's motion to withdraw its petition without prejudice.

2. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to Section 4(i) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 154(i), and Sections 0.201 - 0.204 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.201 - 0.204, that the motion filed by MFS Communications Company, Inc. to withdraw its petition for preemption, declaratory ruling and injunctive relief IS GRANTED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION



A. Richard Metzger, Jr.
Deputy Chief, Common Carrier Bureau

¹ *Petition for Preemption, Declaratory Ruling and Injunctive Relief*, Public Notice, CCBPol 96-12, DA 96-686 (rel. June 12, 1996).